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Bangalore: This NGO lives by the rule that 99% is for you and just one per cent is for the nation.

Nirman Organisation is a voluntary organisation formed by the students of BITS Pilani. It now runs social service programmes in Pilani, Bangalore, Hyderabad and Vijayanagaram. It will soon be an all India body with the help of present and ex-students of BITS.



Social services

This organisation was started around April 2005 by Rakesh Anugula and Mayur Patnala, students of the 2002 batch of BITS Pilani.

With a strength of 300 students as its members, this group is actively involved in social activities, creation of self help groups, etc. It has adopted more than 10 schools, providing basic infrastructure.

Adopted schools

In Bangalore Nirman group has adopted two Kannada and one Telugu school at Ulsoor. It provides shoes and bags to all the students.

They have donated two computers and teach students the basics of computer.

Now they have chosen four government schools to provide computers, toilets and drinking water facility.

The group has adopted an NGO, Wards, which works for mentally disabled people. It helps the mentally retarded people produce and market candles, camphor etc.

They contribute four per cent of their salary every month for this cause. Every Saturday they arrive in schools and watch the progress. They have also built several toilets with help from Akzo Nobel Company.

Philosophy

The Nirman group joint secretary Varun summed up his philosophy, "Earn 99 per cent for you and one per cent for your nation"

"Many schools in Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh lack basic infrastructure, let alone toilets to teenage girls. We will teach people about the importance of education and social service," he said.

No publicity

Rakesh, president of Nirman group said: "We don't need any publicity for our social works. We have some money and we have some responsibility."

"Nirman wants to see India becoming a developed country without much of loss of time. We are very committed to this objective. We aim to achieve this by promoting entrepreneurial opportunities especially in rural areas, and by actively involving in sustainable social service activities," he said.

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